Charlottetown Amateur Radio Club

President Vice-President Secretary Treasurer
Bill McMaster VY2WM Joel MacNeill VY2KW Charles Easter VY2CE

Minutes of the March 18, 2021 meeting.

President Bill McMaster called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

Members present were:

Bill McMaster VY2WM Charles Easter VY2CE
Joel MacNeill VY2KW Richard Burke VY2RB

Brent Taylor VY2HF William Caw VY2CAW/EH

Ron MacKay VE1AIC Jun (Ildefonso Domenden) VY2SPD

Micah Gallant VY2MIC Dave Cosh VY2DAC

Brian Gorveatt VY2BG Darrell MacArthur VY2OM

Regrets were received from Arthur Smith VY2BIT and Tyler MacNeill VY2TM

Bill WM asked if there was any knowledge of persons sick or silent keys. None noted.

Announcements: It was noted that Bill Perry VY2BP is now active.

Dave advised that he was talking to the City Fire Dept and asked that a room for the CARC be included in the new fire hall.

Jun SPD told us that he is now a member of the Charlottetown Fire Dept.

It was noted that Michael VY2CO is now living in Stratford.

Minutes of February 4, 2020 meeting:

Bill VY2WM advised that since the minutes were sent to all members there was no need for the secretary to read them. Moved by William, seconded by Dave to approve the minutes as circulated.

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Business arising from the minutes:

Bill WM advised that after asking RAC about cost of new members, RAC advised that new members are covered and no increase in fees until 202.

President report:

Bill WM gave a update on meeting with the Summerside Club in February. He also spoke of the 80 meter net on Thursdays and the Two meters net Saturday mornings. He is pleased with the interest and the attendance to the nets. Bill spoke about the Montreal club using Zoom for their meetings and that he would to try to remote function for members that can't attend our meetings. Bill also spoke on Arthur's presentation on remote operation.

Correspondence:

Secretary advised that we had emails from RAC, one about the insurance with new members and the other saying changes have made to our club information. One from Ron VE1AIC advising that he has updated the club website with the current information. Also one from Arthur VY2BIT about his Powerpoint presentation on remote operation.

New business:

Bill WM spoke on changes to the meeting format, he would like to see the business part done in 30 minutes and the balance for a information session and/or a guest speaker.

Bill asked about Field day, Darrell VY2OM said that together with Doug VY2DS they were planning to do something in the Summerside area.

Bill offered to host a field Day at his cottage in Graham's Pond, it has shore power plus a generator, a vacant lot and a small building.

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Bill asked about having a committee to look at what is needed and who is available to attend and help with the setting up equipment.

Joel KW, Brent HF and Micah MIC volunteered to be on the Field Day committee.

Bill VY2WM spoke about the survey he is working on, items that could be included are what equipment you have, what bands you can operate on. Also what antennas you have and which ones are fixed and are you able to operate portable and on what bands. He sent it out to 3 members and seems to be okay, so Bill will be sending it out to all area hams.

Bill said there is a couple other committees he would like to see formed but is leaving them til the next meeting.

Bill VY2WM then gave a very interesting demonstration on building open wire feed line.

William VY2CAW adjourned the meeting at 8:37 PM.

Charles Easter Secretary Bill McMaster President